

b.) Amendment to the Claims

1. (Currently Amended) A retroreflective sheeting comprising a surface layer providing a light entering side and a retroreflective element layer, with at least one destructive layer provided between the surface and retroreflective element layers, said destructive layer ~~being~~ comprising an alicyclic polyolefin resin or alicyclic acrylic resin; ~~wherein,~~ resin, wherein

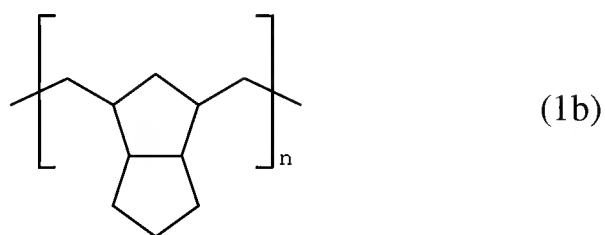
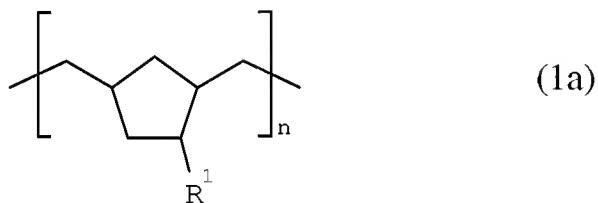
when the retroreflective sheeting has been applied to a substrate and is removed, peeling takes place at the interface of the destructive layer and the layer which is in intimate contact therewith and/or by destruction of the destructive layer.

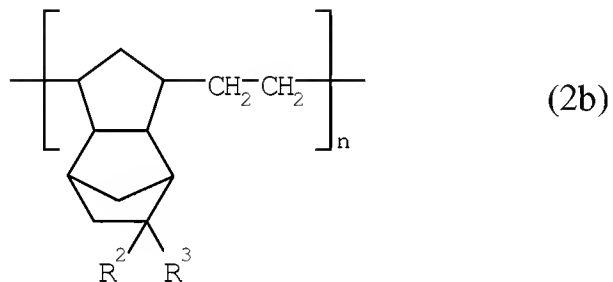
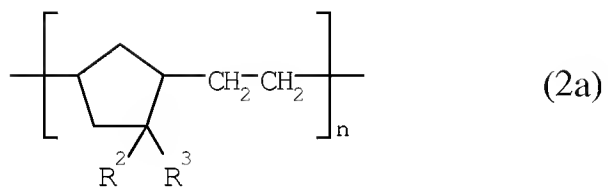
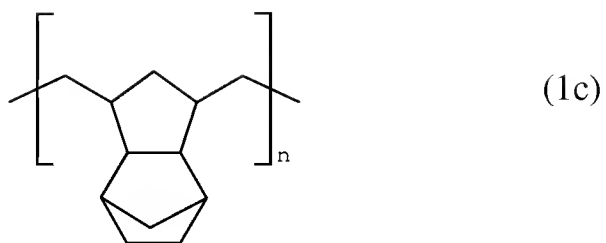
2. (Currently Amended) A retroreflective sheeting according to Claim 1, comprising an adhesive layer on a side opposite ~~to a~~ to said light-entering side of the retroreflective sheeting.

3. (Currently Amended) A retroreflective sheeting comprising a surface layer, a retroreflective element layer and an adhesive layer, with at least one destructive layer provided between any two of these ~~layers wherein said layers,~~ layers, said destructive layer ~~is~~ being an alicyclic polyolefin resin or alicyclic acrylic resin; ~~wherein,~~ resin, wherein

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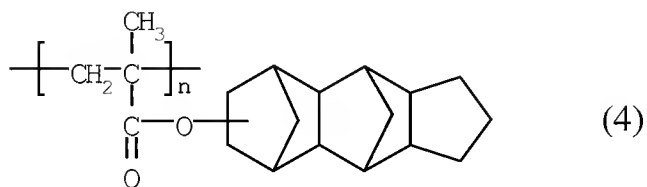
4. (Currently Amended) A retroreflective sheeting according to any one of Claims 1 – 3, in which the destructive layer resin is selected from the group consisting of cyclopentane resins (formulae 1a, 1b, or 1c), vinylcyclopentane resins (formula 2a), vinylcyclopentanorbornene resin (formula 2b), ~~and~~ cyclohexadiene resin (formula 3a) and cyclohexane resin (formula 3b):





~~wherein~~ wherein  $\text{R}^1$  is hydrogen or cyclohexyl group, and  $\text{R}^2$  and  $\text{R}^3$  are independently selected from the group consisting of hydrogen, methyl, cyano, methoxycarbonyl, ethoxycarbonyl, cyclohexyloxycarbonyl and n-butoxycarbonyl.

5. (Currently Amended) A retroreflective sheeting according to any one of Claims 1 – 3, in which the destructive layer resin is a methacrylic acid ester resin (formula 4)



Claims 6-7 Cancelled.

8. (Currently Amended) A retroreflective sheeting according to any one of Claims 1 – 3, in which the destructive layer resin is poly-1,3-cyclohexadiene resin or polycyclohexane resin.

9. (Previously Presented) A retroreflective sheeting according to Claim 4, in which the retroreflective sheeting comprises enclosed lens-type or encapsulated lens-type micro-glass beads.

10. (Previously Presented) A retroreflective sheeting according to Claim 9, wherein the destructive layer is installed between the micro-glass beads and specular reflective layer.

11. (Previously Presented) A retroreflective sheeting according to Claim 4, wherein the destructive layer has a peeling strength ranging from 0.1 to 15 N/25 mm.

12. (Previously Presented) A retroreflective sheeting according to Claim 11, wherein the destructive layer has a glass transition point (T<sub>g</sub>) of 90 – 190°C.

13. (Previously Presented) A retroreflective sheeting according to Claim 12, wherein the destructive layer has a percent transmission of total light ranging from 75 to 99%.

14. (New) A retroreflective sheeting according to claim 1, wherein said destructive layer comprises said alicyclic acrylic resin.